

Kelly House
1239 37th Street, N.W.
Washington
District of Columbia

HABS No. DC-203

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STATE District of Columbia	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Washington (Georgetown)
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Kelly House		HABS NO. DC-203
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 1239 37th St. N.W.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1879	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This small house was built for Mary Kelly and inherited by her two sons. It was owned by a succession of Irish owners, and often rented. In the mid-twentieth century, the structure was renovated and enlarged to give the appearance of an earlier and more elegant building.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Stuccoed Frame		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 20' - 6" (three bay front) x 32' - 4"		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The classical doorway, with Doric pilasters supporting an architrave with triglyphs and flat metopes, is not original.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) The living room mantel, featuring Doric columns, is of an elegance beyond the pretensions of the original house and probably came from another building.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Heavily renovated in mid-twentieth century.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Residence		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
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